

GENESIS ENERGY LP  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â SIMS RYAN S		(Month/Day/Year)	GENESIS ENERGY LP [GEL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
919 MILAM ST., SUITE 2100			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77002			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			Vice President	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Phantom Units	04/12/2019	04/12/2019	Common Units - Class A	3,965 <sup>(1)</sup> <u>(2)</u>	\$ <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Phantom Units	04/14/2018	04/14/2018	Common Units - Class A	2,351 <sup>(5)</sup> <u>(6)</u>	\$ <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Phantom Units	04/08/2017	04/08/2017	Common Units - Class A	1,389 <sup>(7)</sup> <u>(8)</u>	\$ <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIMS RYAN S 919 MILAM ST., SUITE 2100 HOUSTON, TX 77002	Â	Â	Â Vice President	Â

## Signatures

Ryan S. Sims                      01/19/2017

      
\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The reporting person was granted an award of 3,965 phantom units on April 12, 2016. 2,379 phantom units (the "2016 performance phantom units") will vest as follows: (a) if the quarterly distribution on the common units is less than \$0.74 per unit for the fourth quarter of 2018 (which would be paid in the first quarter of 2019), all of the 2016 performance phantom units granted will be forfeited; (b) if the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2018 is \$0.74 per unit, 50% of the 2016 performance phantom units granted will vest and the remainder will be forfeited; (c) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2018 is \$0.79 per unit, 100% of the 2016 performance phantom units granted will vest; and

(2) (continuation from FN1)(d) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2018 is \$0.85 per unit or greater, 150% of the 2016 performance phantom units granted will vest. Should the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2018 be between the range of \$0.74 per unit and \$0.85 per unit, the 2016 performance phantom units will vest between 50% and 150% of the number granted on a pro rata basis. The remaining 1,586 phantom units (the "2016 service phantom units") will vest fully on April 12, 2019, the third anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting person is still employed by the Issuer on such vesting date.

(3) The phantom units will be paid in cash based on the average closing price of the Common Units - Class A for the 20 trading days immediately prior to the vesting date.

(4) Award includes tandem distribution equivalent rights pursuant to which the quarterly distributions paid by the Issuer on each common unit will be (i) paid quarterly on the number of units corresponding to the number of service phantom units (as defined in Footnote 8 below) in the initial grant and (ii) accrued over the vesting period on the number of units corresponding to the number of performance phantom units (as defined in Footnote 7 below) and will be paid upon vesting.

(5) The reporting person was granted an award of 2,351 phantom units on April 14, 2015. 1,411 phantom units (the "2015 performance phantom units") will vest as follows: (a) if the quarterly distribution on the common units is less than \$0.67 per unit for the fourth quarter of 2017 (which would be paid in the first quarter of 2018), all of the 2015 performance phantom units granted will be forfeited; (b) if the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2017 is \$0.67 per unit, 50% of the 2015 performance phantom units granted will vest and the remainder will be forfeited; (c) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2017 is \$0.72 per unit, 100% of the 2015 performance phantom units granted will vest; and

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- (continuation from FN5)(d) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2017 is \$0.78 per unit or greater, 150% of the 2015 performance phantom units granted will vest. Should the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2017
- (6) be between the range of \$0.67 per unit and \$0.78 per unit, the 2015 performance phantom units will vest between 50% and 150% of the number granted on a pro rata basis. The remaining 940 phantom units (the "2015 service phantom units") will vest fully on April 14, 2018, the third anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting person is still employed by the Issuer on such vesting date.

- The reporting person was granted an award of 1,389 phantom units on April 8, 2014. 833 phantom units (the "2014 performance phantom units" and together with the 2015 performance phantom units and the 2016 performance phantom units, the "performance phantom units") will vest as follows: (a) if the quarterly distribution on the common units is less than \$0.60 per unit for the fourth quarter of 2016 (which
- (7) would be paid in the first quarter of 2017), all of the 2014 performance phantom units granted will be forfeited; (b) if the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2016 is \$0.60 per unit, 50% of the 2014 performance phantom units granted will vest and the remainder will be forfeited; (c) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2016 is \$0.65 per unit, 100% of the 2014 performance phantom units granted will vest; and

- (continuation of FN 7)(d) if the distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2016 is \$0.70 per unit or greater, 150% of the 2014 performance phantom units granted will vest. Should the quarterly distribution on the common units for the fourth quarter of 2016
- (8) be between the range of \$0.60 per unit and \$0.70 per unit, the 2014 performance phantom units will vest between 50% and 150% of the number granted on a pro rata basis. The remaining 556 phantom units (the "2014 service phantom units" and together with the 2015 service phantom units and the 2016 service phantom units, the "service phantom units") will vest fully on April 8, 2017, the third anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting person is still employed by the Issuer on such vesting date.

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